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## CHRISTMAS NIGHT IN THE BARKS.

... of the Picket Line

... night, when Custer's men  
... heandeah Valley against  
... found dead on his post, as-  
... powerful blow, from a long,  
... finished him so suddenly that  
... to fire his carbine or cry  
... this bloody dead? Men  
... of each other butting on

It could not have  
my was near by.

the murder of last night! I  
broach from the woods."

blows up sometimes in fierce gusts, sobbing among the leafless trees, far away, until there is scarcely a bush. The fierce gusts are not so intense watchfulances, as if they make his heart beat faster, post the picket of the night murdered! He does not know, night flashes through his mind

the earth at his feet, as if  
not sink into the soil. It must  
be a poet. There is that tongue  
reaching out into the field to  
for an assassin, until within  
his victim. Then advantage  
of the broken ground to come  
and one whose eyes were not  
an assassin, would fail to detect  
use up to strike.

grows blacker, and the rush of

know like against the soldier's  
arts as if struck with a missile.  
added to gale and darkness what  
against those who way prowl  
in their hearts? He is a man  
he fights against the timidity  
of his heart. One who rides  
very belching grape and caule-  
fear a single man, if it be in  
arkness.

relief coming? He would have  
these things, these things, and

Who comes there !"  
Herald, with the countersign !"  
"Officer of the guard !"  
Advance forward, and as he bends

to post No. 2. Forward from  
3 and down the line until No. 3,  
reached. The wind waves and  
begs the groaning trees, and the  
great white clouds, but the spect—  
and on—from post to post—from  
the snow deadens every foot-  
step as a whisper among them.

Whiff, grimly—without a clank  
alarm—without shot to arouse,  
down the face of the forest, and  
it is the same: **THE** **GUARD**  
Who comes there! **THE** **GUARD**  
guard, with the countersign "**THE**  
the officer of the guard!"  
then the stricken picket utters  
a groan as the knife seeks his  
there is no sound to be heard above  
The scream, sheltered in their

species came with noiseless tread, from the front of half a mile within a foot-fall, and departed as on the wings of the gale. An another relief guard passed that ere clanked, men growled and the officer at their head stumbled in his path and reached his

Then deep imprecations and vengeance are caught up by the ment along the path to the next the next, and the next, but as gathered around the eighth there a whisper or word. Some men,

ance in their eyes looked toward  
or trace or sign. Others, whose  
whiter than the snow driving  
m, looked across the fields, hap-  
or hear a movement to give them  
a pursuit.

as no sign—no sound. The specu-  
lone their work and vanished.

ays men spoke of that dreadful  
w voices, and some wondered if  
of the battle-field had risen to

without honor—the gambler's.

anything that will prevent a wall  
brick from turning white," says a  
Chicago architect.

Today movement is spreading in  
in Switzerland is a paper devoted  
celebration of the Sabbath as a day  
is called *Le Jour de Repos*.

lod at Serrevez, a woman was  
the river, but her skirt caught  
the river, held

pendent wants to know if it is  
large a young lady to sing at an  
afternoon, after she has refused  
a groomer to marry a little, but not

ange says: "A Kentucky man wandered into church while service held." It is supposed that some of the jokers had removed a lager beer barrel and placed it over the door of the church. It is an outrage to fool a Kentucky churchgoer!

...bought only one ticket. The  
...and just pronounced the couple  
...no railroad company is going to  
...by recognizing any such author-  
...radiation of mathematical facts.

...explosive has been invented that is  
...about the same as twin brother to  
...make. The nation doesn't need  
...at a mile and a quarter half as  
...does some sort of a reliable  
...for setting a box up in the

ed on good authority that just be-  
outbreak of cholera in Toulon the  
suddenly disappeared from the  
An officer in the Bengal Cavalry  
ference to this that during a cholera  
in India he had noticed that  
any of the dead remained unburied,  
the carrion-eating birds had dis-

gastroscope is a new apparatus brought to the notice of the Académie. It is armed with an incandescent lamp, and is used to explore the stomach, and other cavities of the body. In some cases, an objective lens may be carried into the cavity and a magnified image may be obtained for the physician's











### the Countersign.

Dr. John Hunter, the eminent surgeon, adopted this rule, and may be commended to all. "When my friend and I had been able to accomplish so much in the way of study and discovery in his busy life, he would not have been able to do so, had he not been able to consider, before I commence, whether the task was practicable. If it be not practicable, I will not attempt it. If it be practicable, I can accomplish it." I have followed this rule, and, having begun, I never stop until the thing is done. To this rule I owe all my success.

## HEALTH.



“ IF A BODY MEET A BODY COMIN’ THRO’ THE RYE,  
IF A BODY KISS A BODY, NEED A BODY CRY !”

IDENTS IN THE BOOK

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... Full Bl...

"I slipped my hand to my pocket, and I declare to you that must have put his hand in there to get my pocket book! But instead of getting that, he had put a finger in the little dog's mouth, who, thinking it something to eat, I suppose, had shut his sharp little teeth on it. And so it seemed to me that Terror would be a good name for him. What do you think?"

"I think it's just splendid," replied Elsie, with enthusiasm.

"H'm!" said Arthur, contentedly; "a good enough name; but if he were mine, I should call him Terror."

## RACE AGAINST TIME

[illegible]

Who is afraid? Everybody  
 creature living who does not

PEARLS OF TRUTH

'THRO' THE RYE,  
& BODY OY!'

strong and sure, walked  
on the benighted Heath.

## THE LIME-KILN CL

That Brother Camback was  
up with a sick man wh  
night. In order that none

## THE FALL OF ROME.

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A BROTHER GONE.  
retary announced a







